

REMARKS

Applicants thank Examiner Saidha for extending the courtesy of an interview to discuss to their undersigned representative on March 30, 2005. The Examiner agreed that filing this Supplemental Amendment After Final was an appropriate way of correcting the spelling of the claim term "mimetope" in claims 13, 20, 26, and 27, which appears throughout the specification as "mimotope." Because Applicants have filed an Appeal Brief, this Supplemental Amendment is accompanied by a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.183 To Waive the Requirements of 37 C.F.R. §41.33(b).


Applicants respectfully request that this Supplemental Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 be entered by the Examiner, placing claims 13-29 in better form for appeal. Applicants submit that the proposed amendments of claims 13, 20, 26, and 27 do not raise new issues or necessitate the undertaking of any additional search of the art by the Examiner, since all of the elements and their relationships claimed were either earlier claimed or inherent in the claims as examined. Therefore, this Supplemental Amendment should allow for immediate action by the Examiner.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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